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- 1. VISAS SEVEN: CHENG KUNG ET AL.
- 2. WE ARE HOLDING UP AUTHORIZATION OF THE VISAS FOR THE TECHIMPORT DELEGATION UNTIL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL TOOL BUILDERS ASSOCIATION (NMTBA) AND PRCLO ON THE SPONSORSHIP AND COORDINATION OF THE VISIT. THE COMPANIES INVOLVED AS WELL AS THE NMTBA WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE NMTBA HANDLE THE VISIT (THE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO MAKE ONE OF THE COMPANIES RESPONSIBLE). ALTHOUGH THE NMTBA HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH PRCLO IT HAS NOT YET HAD A REPLY.
- 3. THE VISIT OF THIS DELEGATION PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO ESTABLISH THE PRECEDENT OF HAVING MISSIONS OF THIS KIND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SPONSORED BY AN APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATION, PARTICULARLY

WHEN THE COMPANIES TO BE VISITED PREFER THIS APPROACH.
ALTHOUGH THE NMTBA IS THE LOGICAL ORGANIZATION FOR THIS
VISIT, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE MOST OF VISITS OF THIS KIND
EVENTUALLY COORDINATED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR US-CHINA

TRADE.

4. IF QUERIED ABOUT THE VISAS, YOU SHOULD RESPOND ALONG THE LINE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE COMPANIES WHO HAVE INVITED THE TECHIMPORT DELEGATION TO THE US WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE NATIONAL MACHINE TOOL BUILDERS ASSOCIATION ACT AS THE COORDINATOR OF THE VISIT AND THAT THE ASSOCIATION

HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THIS WITH PRCLO. IN VIEW OF THE COMPANIES' WISHES, THE DEPT. IS PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF THE VISAS ONCE THE DETAILS OF COORDINATION HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT BETWEEN PRCLO AND THE ASSOCIATION. SISCO

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